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WASHINGTON-JOHN A. MCCONE GOT THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION OF A SERIOUS AND WITE CONGRESS.

MAND IF THE GIA NEEDS STRAIGHTENING OUT, SAYS A CLOSE ACQUAINTAINE, JOHN ICCOME
IS JUST THE MAN TO DO IT."

MCCONE, 59-YEAR-OLD SAN FRANCISCO INDUSTRIALIST, IS A GRACIOUS MAN, THE KIND HOSMILES AND REMEMBERS TO SAY "PLEASE" AND "THANK YOU."

BUT OCCASIONALLY THE SMILE VANISHES. OCCASIONALLY THE BLUE EYES GLARE. THEY IT
IS EASY TO BELIEVE WHAT ANOTHER ACQUAINTANCE SAYS: "HE IS A TERRIBLY DEMANDING AND
HARD-DRIVING PUSINESS EXECUTIVE. HE IS THE MAN-IN-CHARGE."

WHEN PRESIDENT KENNEDY PICKED MCCONE THIS WEEK TO SUCCEED ALLEN W. DULLES AS CIADERCTOR, THE CIA WAS STILL BEIN BLAMES -- RIBHTLY OR WRONGLY -- FOR THE FAILURE CEATTER U.S. SUPPORTED ATTEMPT TO OVERTHROW THE CASTRO DICTATORSHIP IN CUBA.

AND HIS DISTINGUISHED SERVICES SING. TA CRITICS WERE RELUCTANT TO BLAME HIM PERSONALLY FOR THE CUPAN PLASCO.

BUT THERE HAVE BEEN CHARGES THAT "MIDDLE ECHELON" OFFICIALS IN HIS AGENCY HAVE
REPEATEDLY CONE TOO FAR IN THEIR ZEAL AND OFTEN HAVE GOT THE COUNTRY INTO HOT WATER.

ONE OF THE THINGS BEING SAID OF MCCONE IS THAT WHEN HE TAKES OVER IN NOVEMBER, HE WILL BE THE BOSS AND THE CIA WILL ATTEMPT NO VENTURES WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN THOROUGHLY.
THOUGHT OUT IN ADVANCE.

WHEN HE TOOK OVER THE ARC IN MID-1958, IT WAS IN BAD TROUBLE WITH THE HOUSE-SENATE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMITTEE. THE COMMISSION CHAIRMAN, LEWIS L. STRAUSS, AND THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN; SEN. CLINTON PL ANDERSON, D., N.M., DESPIES EACH OTHER. THE ATOMIC PROGRAM

MUCCONS, A REPUBLICAN, QUICKLY WON OVER THE DEMOCRATIC MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE. WHEN